

SUMMER SUNDAYS

ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PENTECOST SUNDAY | JUNE 5, 2022 | 9:30 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

GREETINGS

VOLUNTARY

Steven Blackmon, organ

PENTECOST PROCESSION

Hymn 388 (*soloist only*)

"Come All You People"

UYAI MOSE

Leader: All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages.

"Come All You People, Come Praise Your Maker"

Martha Beveridge, Latin; Peggy Crain, American Sign Language; Lark Fall, Swahili; David Grissett, Gaelic;

Judith Halverson, Norwegian; Harrison Harley, Spanish; Ann Maier, Chichewa (Malawi); Beth Poe, German;

Madeline Weiser, French; Nicholas White, Latin

Closing Response (*unison*):

Come all you people, come praise your Maker.

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Come all you people, come praise your Maker.

Come, now, and worship the Lord. (repeated twice)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Into the corners of this world, into the confusion of life, into the loneliness of our hearts, **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With a gentle touch, with a disturbing presence, with a clear conscience, with burning love, **Come, Holy Spirit.**

To feed our minds, to fire our imagination, to free our hearts, **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Here and now, within us and without us, in this place, in every place, **Come, Holy Spirit.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, our God, you come to us through the Holy Spirit and are nearer to us than we are to ourselves. As the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, make your home among us here and give us the life-giving breath of the church, the spirit of healing and forgiveness, and the source of resurrection and eternal life. Lord, in your mercy, we seek your forgiveness for ourselves and healing for our world. Forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and help us to love your creation as you love it, to take risks as Jesus did, and to flourish in our lives and vocation through the wildness and wonder of your Holy Spirit, today and every day. Amen.

†*HYMN 280

"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

EBENEZER

GATHERING OF CHILDREN

All children through first grade are invited to Frampton Fellowship Hall (FFH) for special Summer Sundays activities. Older children are encouraged to remain with families for worship. Parents may meet their children in FFH after worship.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING (*response: Thanks be to God.*)

Genesis 11:1-9

*HYMN 278

"Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire"

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

"Belonging, Meaning, and Purpose"

Chris Currie

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed (*Hymnal, p.35*)

*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

THE OFFERING

Offertory

"Spirit of Life"

Marshall

The Chancel Choir

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer (*Hymnal, p.35*)

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 289

"On Pentecost They Gathered"

MUNICH

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*VOLUNTARY

*Please stand as you are able | †Latecomers seated
Large print bulletins are available. Please see an usher.

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

TODAY'S USHERS are Sallee Benjamin, Maureen Herring, Leon Hinson, Caty Johnson, Jane Rasi, Wesley Simon, and Kandice and Mike Snow.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin (Iona Mae) Aden by the Berger/Tiller families.

MASKS ENCOURAGED: In light of the recent spike in Covid cases in our community, we encourage everyone to wear masks to worship. As a caring Christian community, our goal is always to keep one another safe. Remember that we do offer alternative seating in Frampton Fellowship Hall where the service is livestreamed to the large screen, and in the Phifer Library where the service audio is played.

PRAYER FOR THE BUFFALO, LAGUNA WOODS, AND UVALDE COMMUNITIES

Compassionate Lord, there are times when we feel overwhelmed by the world's brokenness, and we don't even know what or how to pray or how to express our deep pain, longing, fear, outrage, and sorrow. In the face of the unspeakable violence over the past few weeks in Buffalo, Laguna Woods, and Uvalde, send your Spirit to intercede for us with sighs too deep for words. Envelop those who have lost ones with your care and comfort and grace. Receive those who have died into your everlasting embrace. May perpetual light shine upon them.

Lord, as people of faith, help us to know the true power of prayer. Help us to actualize these words and join you in the work that you are already doing to bring about peace, hope, and reconciliation in this world, so that all may know a life of true flourishing that you desire and have promised for all of creation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

For additional resources to support these communities, visit scapc.org/relief.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SNOWBALLS: Join us for snowballs on the State Street curb following today's service!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S TUESDAY EVENING CIRCLE will be discussing new books this summer, and all ladies are welcome to attend! We will meet in the Land Building on June 14, July 12, and August 9, beginning with wine and refreshments at 5:45 p.m. Our June book will be *The Book of Longings* and our July/August book will be *The Invention of Wings*, both by Sue Monk Kidd. For further information, please contact Gwen Wertz, Circle Chair, at gwertz@blanchardgold.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: 71 kids, 22 youth volunteers, and 12 adult volunteers gathered at SCAPC this week for Vacation Bible School! This year's theme was *Food Truck Party: On the Roll with God* which focused on Matthew 6:11, "Give us this day our daily bread." Lots of fun and faith formation were enjoyed by all! Thank you to all who helped make VBS 2022 such a success.

JULY SERMONS ON DEMAND: The pastoral staff plans to do a sermon series exploring specific aspects of faith in today's world each week and we invite your input! Each sermon title begins "God and ___". Some sample topics are Country, Suffering, Politics, People with Whom We Disagree, Prayer, The Common Good, Education, Discussing Difficult Issues, and Race. Let us know which one(s) interest you, or submit your own to Sarah (sarah@scapc.org) and Chris (chriscurrie@scapc.org). We will take the most prescient/frequent responses. Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: "Experiencing the Spirit - The Power of Pentecost Every Day"

This class meets during the month of June at 8:30 a.m. in the Phifer Library. The first Christians turned the world upside down. Why aren't we having the same impact today? The gift of Pentecost was not just for the early believers; it is for all of us. Discover that there are no excuses for watching the activity of God from a distance. He has chosen and equipped every believer for kingdom work. This class will be a practical guide to allowing the Spirit to help you experience the power of God's great salvation in every area of your life.

PARENTS ON THE PLAYGROUND AND PARENTS IN THE PARK: After 9:30 a.m. worship, we encourage families to gather at the playground outside for 30 minutes to enjoy snacks and fellowship. On the second Sunday of each month, June 12, July 10, and August 14, we will gather at the playground at Audubon Park. Volunteers are needed to bring snacks each week. Please sign up on the bulletin board in Frampton Fellowship Hall or at scapc.org/summer-sundays.



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS are needed to watch over children ages 0-3 with one of our Nursery staff members during the 9:30 service each Sunday. Please sign up on the bulletin board in Frampton Fellowship Hall or at scapc.org/summer-sundays.

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